

CTK E-News- February 15, 2018

A Note from Pastor Ken

¹⁹*“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; ²⁰but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consume, and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (Matthew 6:19-21 NRSV)*

It seems obvious doesn't it. "The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being" (Matthew 6:21 The Message). I guess it really could be if it weren't for all the temptations that exist on this side of heaven! The opportunity of Lent is to look at where we have hidden away our heart, while living in God's gift of our lives. Yesterday, if you were able to receive them, someone placed palm ashes in the sign of a cross upon your forehead and said, "you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Gen. 3:19 NRSV).

In between our human creation and our human death lies the gift which God has blessed each one of us with, this gift of life that we experience with different degrees of awareness and health. Our hearts beat, and our minds consider what our eyes see, and ears hear, what we taste and feel, and what our noses smell; and so, we experience the very substance of creation. I invite you to spend this Lenten season pondering with me how we engage with the creation all around our life through our senses. The treasure of being alive to what God has designed---with you and me in mind---is called creation. In it is all that we can know through our gift of life. These are the treasures we store up in heaven. The moments which we take time to experience during our lives...those sensual experiences that we treasure in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

May you continue to follow the cross that was placed upon your forehead in your baptism and with the palm ashes, as you come to the deep awareness of God's gift of human life between the dust!

IPr. Ken

- **Join us after service this week as we start our 4-week Growth Group DVD led experience, "Just Walk Across the Room" with Senior Pastor of Willow Creek Church Bill Hybels. These sessions are engaging, and heart felt! We do hope you can make a special effort to join us!!**

Announcements

Adult Growth Group

We meet every Sunday about 15 minutes after worship ends.

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Calvary Lutheran Church Website

Check out Calvary's website calvaryinfo.org to find out more information.

CTK Small Groups and Teams

Fellowship Team

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, March 11 at 9:30 am.

Women's Group

Next meeting is March 13. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm. Please bring a dish to share. If Lapeer schools have a snow day we will not meet.

Worship Team

Our next meeting will be March 13 at 5:30 pm at CTK.

Sowing Threads of Fellowship

Our next meeting time is April 4 at 1:00 pm at the home of Linda Gilliam. We will not meet in March. See Linda Gilliam for more information.

Church Council

The next Church Council meeting is Sunday, February 18 immediately following Adult Growth Group, around 12:15 pm. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, February 18, 2018

10:00 am	Worship
11:00 am	Fellowship
11:15 am	Adult Growth Group
12:15 pm	Church Council

Sunday, February 25, 2018

10:00 am	Worship
11:00 am	Fellowship
11:15 am	Adult Growth Group

Sunday, March 4, 2018

10:00 am	Worship
11:00 am	Fellowship
11:15 am	Adult Growth Group

Sunday, March 11, 2018

9:30 am	Fellowship Team meeting
10:00 am	Worship
11:00 am	Fellowship
11:15 am	Adult Growth Group

Sunday, March 18, 2018

10:00 am	Worship
11:00 am	Fellowship
11:15 am	Adult Growth Group
12:15 pm	Church Council